

SELECTION CRITERIA & PROCESS FOR OLYMPIC GAMES 2024

Introduction

1. In principle, SBA believes that for such Major Games, representing¹ Singapore is a privilege and shall be accorded to the best in the country.

Mandatory Requirements

2. There are certain mandatory requirements as required by the International Olympic Council and the Badminton World Federation must be fulfilled. These mandatory requirements are:
 - a. Singapore Citizenship; and
 - b. Must not be holding dual citizenship if the athlete is above 22 years old, and
 - c. Has not represented any other country for three years immediately preceding the date of the fixture or last represented Singapore¹.

Olympic Games 2024 (27th July – 9th August 2024)

3. The Olympic Games does not have a team event for badminton and comprises 5 Individual events:
 - a. Men's Singles (38 entries)
 - b. Women's Singles (38 entries)
 - c. Men's Doubles (16 entries)
 - d. Women's Doubles (16 entries)
 - e. Mixed Doubles (16 entries)

Nomination Process

4. As the Badminton World Federation has formulated qualifying criteria for the Olympic Games, the nomination shall be based on the fulfilment of these qualifying criteria. The BWF Olympic Games Qualification System can be downloaded from the BWF website:

<https://bwfbadminton.com/news-single/2022/05/01/olympic-qualification-regulations-for-paris-2024>

5. Based on the likelihood that the players have in qualifying for the Olympic Games, SBA shall, to its best abilities, provide competition opportunities (based on their standard of play) for them to fight for world ranking points for qualification.

¹ Representing is defined as accepting a nomination to be a member in any badminton event where the competition is being teams, or as specified by BWF (i.e. World Championship, individual event in Olympic Games, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games, and Asian Badminton Championship).

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6. In any event, if 2 players or pairs of the same event qualify and only 1 player/pair can be entered then the player/pair which has the higher world ranking will be nominated.
7. The Technical Director, together with the National Head Coaches, will make the final decision regarding the final nomination of players who qualified under the BWF qualifying criteria at the end of the Olympic qualification period to participate in the Olympic Games. The committee shall make the decision based on the BWF World Ranking of the players using the ranking list on 30th April 2024.

Final Selection by Singapore National Olympic Council

8. SBA can only nominate the final selected players to SNOC based on the nomination process listed above. Final approval and selection of players for the Olympic Games resides with the Singapore National Olympic Council.

Appeal Process

9. Appeal against the non-selection may be made in writing to the CEO of the Singapore Badminton Association within 72 hours of the announcement of the players nominated for the Olympic Games to SNOC.
10. The sole ground for any appeal is that the selection policy and criteria were not properly followed.
11. An appeal must be made with appropriate and sufficient supporting documentation and must be accompanied by a deposit of S\$50.00, payable to the Singapore Badminton Association. If the appeal is upheld, the deposit will be refunded in full.
12. Within two (2) working days of receiving the appeal, the CEO will form an Appeals Panel to investigate the issues of the appeal with all involved parties.
13. SBA will, in writing, inform all parties about the Appeals Panel's decision to either uphold or reject the appeal. The decision of the Appeals Panel will be final.

Deselection

14. The player selected for the Olympic Games 2024 may be deselected from the Games if the player:
 - a. Due to illness or injury becomes unable to perform to the required standard in the opinion of the responsible National Coaches and Technical Director.
 - b. Demonstrate a lack of commitment to training requirements and/or tournament preparations in the opinion of the responsible National Coaches and Technical Director.

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- c. Breaches or fails to fulfil a requirement of the Anti-Doping Policies of the Singapore Badminton Association, the Badminton World Federation, the Anti-Doping Singapore, or other approved agencies, if applicable.

15. Where a player has been de-selected from the Olympic Games, SBA may fill the vacant position with the next person who qualifies under the BWF qualifying criteria.

Planned Milestones

16. The list of tentative milestones is shown in the table below:

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| 1. | The longlist process starts via SportSync | 1 February 2024 |
| 2. | Deadline for longlist submission | 15 March 2024 |
| 3. | Nomination starts | 1 April 2024 |
| 4. | Nomination close | 31 May 2024 |
| 5. | Selection Committee Meeting | 12 June 2024 |
| 6. | Attire distribution | 10 – 21 June 2024 |
| 7. | Sports Entry by Name Form Deadline | 1 July 2024 |
| 8. | Team Managers Meeting (TBC) | 4 July 2024 |
| 9. | Team Singapore Flag Presentation (TBC) | 6 July 2024 |
| 10. | Opening Ceremony | 26 July |
| 11. | Closing Ceremony | 11 August |